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SUBJ: CZECH VICE FOREIGN MINISTER VISITS LUXEMBOURG

1. MFA SECRETARY GENERAL PIERRE WURTH BRIEFED US ON THE ONE-DAY SELF-INVITED VISIT BY CZECH VICE FOREIGN MINISTER RUZEK TO LUXEMBOURG ON JANUARY 29. RUZEK SPENT MOST OF HIS TIME PLEADING FOR CZECH PROPOSAL FOR FOLLOW-UP MACHINERY FOR CSCE. HE ARGUED THAT IT WAS NECESSARY TO HAVE SOME MACHINERY TO "KEEP CHANNELS OPEN AND ESTABLISH PRIORITIES". WURTH, WHO OPPOSES ANY SHOW OF INTEREST IN FOLLOW-UP MACHINERY AT THIS POINT, SAID THAT RUZEK WAS UNABLE TO LIST ANY POLITICAL PRIORITIES WHICH NEEDED TO BE PURSUED ON CONTINUING BASIS.

2. FOREIGN MINISTER THORN RECEIVED RUZEK FOR THIRTY MINUTES. ACCORDING TO WURTH, THORN LECTURED RUZEK ON NEED FOR EASTERN EUROPEANS TO GIVE SOMETHING SUBSTANTIAL, ESPECIALLY ON BASKET THREE, IF THE WESTERN POWERS ARE TO MAKE ANY CONCESSIONS WHATSOEVER IN CSCE. RUZEK INVITED THORN AND WURTH FOR OFFICIAL VISIT TO PRAGUE. THORN REPLIED THAT VISIT WOULD BE CONSIDERED ONLY AFTER LUXEM-
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BOURG LEGISLATIVE ELECTIONS IN MAY OF THIS YEAR. WURTH

ADDED THAT CZECHS HAVE BEEN PRESSING THORN SINCE 1969
TO VISIT PRAGUE BUT FOREIGN MINISTER HAS TURNED DOWN
INVITATIONS, EXPLAINING TO CZECHS THAT HIS REFUSALS WERE
MOTIVATED BY GOL UNHAPPINESS WITH POST-1968 REPRESSION AND
PURGE TRIALS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA. WURTH FOUND RUZEK
AFFABLE, BUT DOGMATIC THROUGHOUT ON MATTERS OF SUBSTANCE.
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